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PSC APPROVES INITIAL PROPANE RATES FOR SEELEY LAKE GAS CO.

The Public Service Commission has temporarily approved the rates proposed by Seeley

Lake Gas Company to offer propane service to customers in the Seeley Lake area.

Seeley Lake Gas will charge residential and small business customers 75 cents per gallon

and industrial customers 68 cents per gallon. All customers will be billed a monthly service charge of \$5.50.

According to Commissioner Bob Rowe, "Local propane delivery systems allow customers

in smaller communities which aren't served by the natural gas transmission system to share in the

benefits and convenience of gas distribution systems."

The PSC ordered the company to apply for final approval of these rates after one year of operation.

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